

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI  
TO AMEMBASSY COLOMBO IMMEDIATE  
INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 3903

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FROM DEPUTY SECRETARY

DEPTO 63

E. O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: OVIP, XD, CE  
SUBJ: DEPSEC VISIT

REF: COLOMBO 997

1. WE APPRECIATE CONCERNS EXPRESSED IN REFTEL AND  
COMMEND YOU ON HANDLING OF THIS DIFFICULT AND DELICATE  
MATTER.

2. PLEASE EXPRESS OUR REGRETS TO MRS. BANDARANAIKE  
THAT UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND ANYONE'S CONTROL  
RESULTED IN CANCELLATION OF VISIT TO SRI LANKA. ALSO  
PASS ON THAT REGRETABLY MY SCHEDULE WILL NOT RPT  
NOT PERMIT A VISIT TO COLOMBO AFTER TEHRAN CHIEFS OF  
MISSION CONFERENCE. I DO, HOWEVER, LOOK FORWARD VERY  
MUCH TO VISIT AND HAVING OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH HER  
AT SOME FUTURE TIME.

3. WE ARE PARTICULARLY SORRY WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO

VISIT YOU AND MRS. VAN HOLLEN ON YOUR HOME GROUNDS  
WE ARE, HOWEVER, LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING WITH  
YOU, CHRIS, IN TEHRAN.

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4. THE PRESS LINE YOU SUGGEST IS FINE. WE WILL TAKE  
SAME LINE HERE, IN RESPONSE TO INQUIRIES.

RUSH

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